

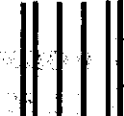
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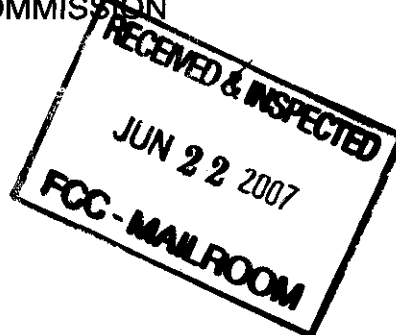
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Please set a fair VRS rate that encourages VRS providers to:

- ▶ Increase VRS access for all Deaf individuals through outreach programs
- ▶ Invest in the training and development of additional professional interpreters
- ▶ Improve VRS technology to provide reliable 24/7 and 911 services

Cutting the VRS rate would severely impact the quality of VRS, which I rely on for my communication needs.

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